

# Cherokee Chapter, AMCA



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## From The Editor ...

This edition of our Cherokee Chapter Newsletter is focused on our Membership, our recent Annual Smithville Texas Bike Show and Swap Meet results and Minutes of our May Board Meeting. I also will tell you our recent selection by

The AMCA National Board for hosting a Texas National Road Run in 2014. Plus all the usual topics and photographs y'all enjoy each issue in this newsletter. I hope this edition finds all of you well and finding time to go out to your garage or shop

and spending some time on your hobby in some way. Keep sending me those comments and photographs at my email above.

*Until Late Summer ...*

**All The Best!**

**Steve Klein** Editor

## Presidents Message ...

Summer has arrived and temps are rising. So are our membership efforts here in The Cherokee Chapter of the AMCA. You will find out why our Chapter is about the fastest growing membership in the AMCA in this newsletter. Our Annual Smithville TX Bike Show and Swap Meet was a great success again. The campground was almost full and as usual, the quality of motorcycles was outstanding. Enjoy the pictures within. I also wish to thank Jon Neuman and his Texas Team for the exceptional planning already done in advance for the Texas National Road Run in 2014 where we get to once again host riders from across America and Europe to our Texas Hospitality. Please plan now to attend next Spring. You will not want to miss this event! Until next issue, please know that your entire Board of Directors are all working hard so y'all may enjoy your vintage motorcycle sport more this year than ever before.

**John Nixon, President**

## Board of Directors Minutes – Mid Year 2013

The Board of Directors met at The Smithville Meet, May 4<sup>th</sup> and conducted discussion on the following topics. Event Chair Jon Neuman reported on the recent **Spring Road Run** in Jefferson TX. Due to the National Road Run there will likely be no Spring Chapter Run in 2014. We may seek a **Chapter Events Director** in the future to plan all annual events, select Event Chair

Persons and report to the Board in 2014 to ensure each event is correctly planned and executed.

The **Membership Reach-Out Program** started by Director Shelby Withrow was deemed a great success. His Directors position is now called **Membership Director**. Shelby will handle all new membership drives, plan functions to attend, Welcome New Members

and ensure that all accountability with our Chapter Treasurer and The National Club is handled properly. It is his goal to reach out to more parts of our region than ever before and get more members from more parts of Texas, Oklahoma and Arkansas than before, plus have events in the future in other parts of the region for those members.

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## Board Minutes continued...

Shelby is working with our Treasurer Marian and I as Secretary to ensure we have all members' information current in regard to your address, phone number email address etc. The first step to improving communications is to know where to find you ☺ Not an easy task when one understands we have about 40 new members since the previous December 2012 Board Meeting. Also many existing members have moved or changed their phone numbers or email addresses without our knowledge. TY Shelby for this extra effort, Sir!

Board discussion on the **types of events** we think would be higher probability for attracting new members the rest of this year and through-out 2014 occurred. It was decided we should target a **Spring, Summer, Fall and Winter** schedule for such events and focus on areas of our region that we need more member representation from.

Our **Treasurers Report** shows us with enough money to run our Chapter properly, pay our bills and have enough "seed money" for the 2014 National Road Run. We have had some recent expenditure for three new T-Shirt designs. T-Shirt sales have rocketed with these new designs. We had enough sales at our Jefferson TX Spring Road Run to pay for all T-Shirts

purchased.

**Texas National Road Run Chair Person Jon Neuman** brought the Board up to current on all his initial planning, team assignments and asked for direction financially from the Board to complete his budget. Stanley Miller who Chaired the same event three years ago attended and offered many insights on what works, what needs to be done to improve the event etc... TY Mr. Miller!

**Chapter Marketing** was then discussed with much focus on our new website. In order for our website to be more functional and used by more people we do need to spend some more time and money on it. It was voted to allow Director Greg McFarland to take our website to the next level by adding features to allow both existing and new members to use it more effectively. Included is the ability to **Join Now** (sign up as a new member on our website) as well as do so on The AMCA Website from ours, plus renew your membership online as well each year. A Great Feature.

There will be a much better **Events Calendar** listing all Chapter and National Events for the entire year. There will be a **Photo Section** where individual Photo Albums can be posted for each event so members and potential new members can view actual photos of our events, our

members and our machines online at any time they wish to do so. It was also discussed that we allow Vintage Motorcycle related businesses to place their logos on our website to help offset annual costs to upgrade our site. A **Cherokee Blog** may be added to allow members to ask questions, comment on events etc... These were all very good ideas to take us to the next level of communication to our membership.

*Note: Many existing AMCA Chapters already have some of these features at this time.*

It was also discussed that we constantly need to look at our membership for individuals whom may wish to, or would be good at becoming an Events Chair Person and eventually a Director and Officer. New leadership is a good thing and allows those that have served for so long to get a needed rest so they themselves may enjoy the sport and our events more instead of always having to work all these events.

The meeting was adjourned and most of our attending members met in the adjoining campground for a Pot Luck Family Style BBQ Supper under the giant shade trees followed by the ritual evening bonfire whereby we all enjoy a lawn chair and tell stories (all of which are true, by the way ☺)

**Steve Klein** Secretary

# 2014 Texas National Road Run . . .

## **The National AMCA**

**Director of "All Things On The Road",** (except dead skunks) **Rickie Najera** asked our Chapter to host another Texas Run. The challenge was accepted by our Cherokee Chapter for next **April 14, 15, 16, 2014.**

**Jon "Numo" Neuman, "Mr. Road Run",** Chairman of this event has already assembled most of his **Team Texas** in planning, budgeting and operating this event next year. To reach Jon to volunteer contact at: **817.490.1372** or email at [numo@sagebrushcycle.com](mailto:numo@sagebrushcycle.com)

## **Event Co-Chair Greg**

**Nelson**, Georgetown TX is in the batter's box in case Jon goes insane trying to plan and operate this event in his usual [First Class Texas Size.](#)

**Host City is Kerrville TX,** the site of our last Texas Run.

## **Host City Manager Joe**

**Burch** will liaison with all the city officials, the Chamber of Commerce, and all law enforcement in the region.

## **Host Hotel Manager**

**Stanley Miller, Dallas TX** is proud to announce our **Host Hotel is The YO Ranch Resort Hotel.** (see below)

## **Route Manager Greg**

**McFarland** will establish the daily Road Run Routes, create maps, recruit and direct Route Captains, Chase Vehicles, the Hospitality Van and other necessary functions of the road.

## **Hospitality Banquet**

**Manager Greg Nelson** is handling all menus for catering and refreshments on the daily road routes as well as the final evening Banquet and Awards Ceremony.

## **Registration Manager, Jo**

**Ann Kugle**, Austin TX will handle all pre-registration via mail as well as the "Huge" job of onsite registration.

## **Awards Manager, David**

**Kugle** is handling all Ditty Bags, Door Prizes and Banquet Awards for this event. You may reach David at [dkugle@austin.rr.com](mailto:dkugle@austin.rr.com) if you wish to donate any prizes.

## **Road Captains** to date are:

**Mike Thompson**, President of The Diamond Chapter of The AMCA. TY Mike!

**We need 5 more Road Captains!** [Contact Jon!](#)

## **Chase Vehicle Drivers:**

**Shelby Withrow**

**We need Two More....**  
[Contact Jon Neuman](#)

**Hospitality Van Drivers:** **We need three volunteers One for each day ride** [Contact Jon Neumann](#)

## **Event Marketing Manager**

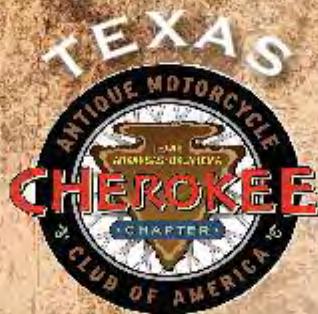
**Steve Klein** will handle all media, website, magazine and other marketing.

Now is a great time to mark these dates down, plan to attend and also plan to help. To Host and Run a National Road Run for all our AMCA members in America and Europe is an honor not to be taken lightly. We certainly have the roads, the climate, the Bluebonnets and the Texas Hospitality to continue to offer a "Total Experience" that other Chapters can wish to emulate."

## 2014 National Road Run Cheat Notes: (as of this date)

- **Host Hotel YO Ranch Resort Hotel, Kerrville TX.** Toll Free 1.888.394.4978 or [yoranchhotel@yoranchhotel.com](mailto:yoranchhotel@yoranchhotel.com)
- **Ride dates are April 14, 15, 16, 2014.** (Chapter Setup on April 13 and Cleanup on April 17)
- **There are NO RV Accommodations** at this Resort and Convention Facility. There is ample parking for vehicles with trailers, just no electrical, sewer and water hookups. We are researching nearby RV Campgrounds at this time! *When we have information on nearby RV Facilities negotiated it will be posted to our website and our newsletter.*
- **Road Run Garage Onsite.** An air conditioned race trailer with normal hand tools, air compressor, welding machine, torch, work bench etc... will be available to all Road Run Registrants in the event if they need to work on their motorcycle during the Road Run. Gas, oil, lubricants, parts, batteries, coils, spark plugs, tubes tires etc... will not be available however. Yes there will be Whitworth Wrenches for the Brit Riders ☺
- **Plan accordingly for your machine(s).** Spare plugs, a coil, points, tire plug kit and other parts are good essentials to pack for each machine you bring to avoid unnecessary loss of a day ride trying to locate that hard to find part.

---Ride The Old West in 2014---



## NATIONAL ROAD RUN

A graphic of the Texas state flag, featuring a white star on a blue field and the red and white stripes of the United States flag.

KERRVILLE, TEXAS  
APRIL 14 -16, 2014  
3 FULL DAY TEXAS HILL COUNTRY ROAD ROUTES  
[WWW.CHEROKEEAMCA.ORG](http://WWW.CHEROKEEAMCA.ORG)

PRE-REGISTRATION & INFO  
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The logo for the Antique Motorcycle Club of America, featuring a stylized motorcycle wheel and engine with wings, and the text "Antique Motorcycle Club of America".

YO RANCH RESORT HOTEL KERRVILLE, TEXAS  
[YORANCHHOTEL@YORANCHHOTEL.COM](mailto:YORANCHHOTEL@YORANCHHOTEL.COM) 1.888.394.4978 TOLL FREE



NO RV HOOKUPS AT YO RANCH RESORT HOTEL.  
RV ACCOMMODATIONS WILL BE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE.

## Membership . . . We Proudly Welcome our Newest Cherokee Chapter Members!

Jeff Milburn, Dallas TX

William Plumley, Grand Prairie, TX

Graeme Ford, Rosharon, TX

Richard Barker, Ft, Worth, TX

Johnny Jimmerson, Rattan, OK

Mike Bell, Clyde, TX

Charles and Victoria Peck, Flower Mound TX

Steve and Teresa Littlefield, Georgetown TX

**To All Our Membership.** Being an all-volunteer organization has its challenges at times. Membership Director Shelby Withrow, Treasurer Marian Guerin and I as Editor are cross referencing our contact information at present on all of you looking for errors.

- If you have changed your address, email address or phone number... **We need to know.**
- If you know of anyone not receiving this Newsletter or other Chapter Updates.... **We need to know.**

**Contact Membership Director Shelby Withrow (contact info below)**

- All past Newsletters are on file and can be emailed out if you have missed an edition or more. **Contact Steve Klein**

**If any of our members have specific ideas or input for our Chapter... Please contact us below! We want to hear you!**

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## Upcoming Membership Reach-Out . . . Join Shelby Withrow and other DFW / North Texas Members

in our Booth space in Arlington TX, July 21<sup>st</sup>. This is the largest indoor swap meet in Texas and just a great opportunity to talk to people whom still work on old iron and encourage them to join the AMCA and our Cherokee Chapter. If you can attend and help work the booth or have a vintage motorcycle that you could display in our booth... Just contact Shelby Withrow at his contact information listed above.

FREE MOTORCYCLE PARKING      FREE MOTORCYCLE PARKING

CAR & TRUCK PARKING \$5.00

TEXAS-LARGEST-INDOOR

# MOTORCYCLE SWAP MEET

SUMMER ANNUAL

Sunday - July 21, 2013

ARLINGTON CONVENTION CENTER

1200 Ballpark Way - Arlington, Texas

10 X 10 VENDOR SPACES WITH 1 ADMISSION JUST \$40.00

TABLES & CHAIRS AVAILABLE

"ELECTRICITY" NOW \$60.00

VENDOR SET-UP 5AM - 9AM

BROUGHT TO YOU BY ARLINGTOM CYCLE WORKS

ALL INDOOR - 50,000 Square Feet

Door Prize Drawings for \$Cash Money\$

NO "BIKE SHOW" AT THIS SWAP MEET

NEXT SHOW: DEC. 29th

SHOW HOURS 8AM - 4PM

ADMISSION: JUST \$8.00 / CHILDREN UNDER 12 - FREE

TONS OF NEW & USED HARLEY PARTS, MOTORCYCLES, LEATHERS, T-SHIRTS, KNIVES, CHROME ACCESSORIES AND MUCH MORE.

For More Information or Vendor Space, Contact: Foot (817) 275 - 6101 or [foot@harleysalvage.com](mailto:foot@harleysalvage.com)

FREE MOTORCYCLE PARKING      FREE MOTORCYCLE PARKING



Dwight Rinner and Lyle Henry, members from Moore Oklahoma and their families are all doing fine after surviving the Huge Tornadic Disaster recently.

## Members New Rides...

Have a New Ride? We all want to see it! Email a picture and description to [Steve@SteveKlein.com](mailto:Steve@SteveKlein.com)



**Susie Burch with her New Cushman Eagle**  
(Was only ridden to Sturgis by the former elderly owner)



**Tom Miller's HD Model UH. Just completed! A job well done Tom!**

## Chapter Photo Album...

Smithville Bike Show and Swap Meet, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2013



**Best of Show 1948 Harley Davidson FL 74**

*"A very detailed, meticulously correct restoration and a very well deserved award! Henry can sure build them right!"*



**Pres. John Nixon with Best of Show Builder, Henry Nicar**



**(F-B) 29 Four, 35 Four, and 48 Chief**



**Older Resto 1917 Excelsior Twin**



**A Beautiful 1911 Excelsior Single**



Another **Terrific Henry Nicar Built Panhead**



Joe Burch's "Old Blue" Panheads Forever



John Nixon's "All Original Triumph"



Normally the only Four on our road runs....  
Lewis Heye's venerable 1929 KJ Henderson



Jon Neuman on his current J Model  
Listen... **Patina, Patina, Patina**



Susie Burchs "Handy Hauler Rig"  
"Where's the air horns?"



Black 45's Rule! Another Joe Burch Scoot



For Sale – Contact Jon Neumann  
"Needs Minor Tune up"  
817.490.1372 or [numo@sagebrushcycle.com](mailto:numo@sagebrushcycle.com)



Luther is "On The Road Again"  
Luther never misses a year at Smithville! Ever!



" Didn't you sell me this last year? "  
Jon Neuman and Doyle Franks at Swap Meet



Always carry a spare motorcycle!  
A Bob "Spud" Guerin Rig



Sunday Ride about to depart!  
Note: Spud (second from right) is not wearing a  
helmet. He was born that way ... Born to Ride!

# AMCA National Events in 2013 ...

## 2013 AMCA National Meets & Road Runs

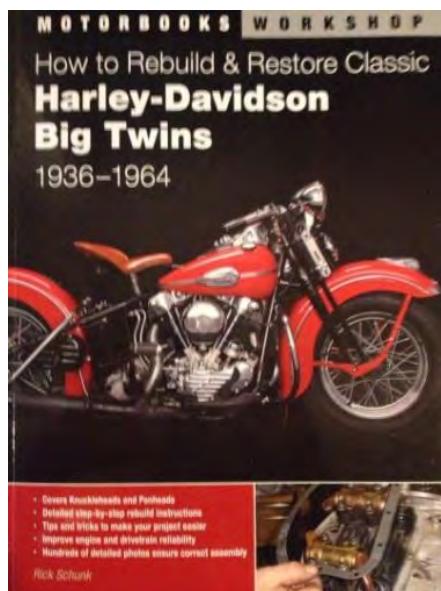
Feb 22-23 **Omaha Chapter Meet**, Fremont, NE  
Mar 8-10 **Sunshine Chapter Meet**, New Smyrna Beach, FL  
Apr 19-21 **European Chapter Meet**, Geldrop, The Netherlands  
Apr 26-27 **Perkiomen Chapter Meet**, Oley, PA  
May 17-19 **Southern National Meet**, Denton, NC  
Jun 14-15 **Rhinebeck National Meet**, Rhinebeck, NY  
Jun 14-15 **Fort Sutter Chapter Meet**, Dixon, CA  
Jun 14-16 **Viking Chapter Meet**, St. Paul, MN  
Jun 19-21 **Rocky Mountain Chapter Road Run**, Ouray, CO  
Jul 19-21 **Wauseon National Meet**, Wauseon, OH  
Aug 2-3 **Yankee Chapter Meet**, Hebron, CT  
Aug 5-7 **Evergreen Chapter Road Run**, White Pass, WA  
Aug 12-15 **Empire Chapter Road Run**, Vernon NY  
Sep 22-25 **Fort Sutter Chapter Road Run**, Sacramento, CA  
Oct 4-5 **Chesapeake Chapter Meet**, Jefferson, PA  
Oct 7-9 **Neshaminy Valley & Seaboard Chapters Road Run**, New Hope, PA

# Texas Events 2013 ...

- July 21 Texas Biggest Indoor Swap Meet, Arlington TX. 817.275.6101 [foot@harleysalvage.com](mailto:foot@harleysalvage.com)
- Oct 12-13 Texas Harley Racers Reunion Drags [www.texasharleyracersreunion.com](http://www.texasharleyracersreunion.com)

# New Restoration / Rebuild Book Endorsed Here ...

This new book, recently written and published by past AMCA Editor and writer, Rick Schunk is now available on [Amazon.Com](http://Amazon.com) and other book retailers. Unlike many restoration books, it has an equal amount of high quality color photos to match the instruction material. Plus the location of the engine, transmission and bike builds were all at Mike Javernick's Shop in Canon City Colorado. Mike is a noted engine builder and restoration expert and also is well known among many of our Cherokee Chapter Members. I have had Mike rebuild two of my motorcycles completely from frame back up. My 1946 FL 74 now runs smoother, cooler and faster all day long. Mike first rebuilt my 1959 Panhead Duo Glide and those of you who have ridden it have been amazed at its performance. Mike has also worked on a few of Elton Morris' machines. [Get your copy soon!](#)



## Just For Fun...



Never says much in the morning does he?



Stanley of Arabia? Brough Superior SS80



A Standard Stanley Miller Tool Kit



Debby Morris rides in Mike Bell's Side Hack Rig



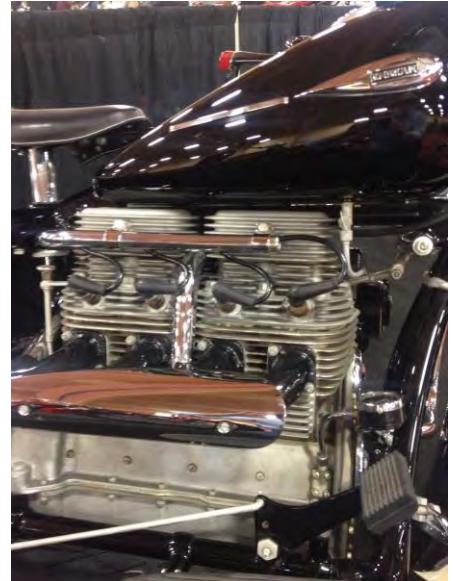
"Mr. Indian", Elton Morris on his 29 Indian Four



A Beautiful Piece of Industrial Art



A Nickel Plated Beauty



Form, Function, and 1940's Art



## Blast From The Past ...

Each newsletter will try to feature a photo, advertisement, or other similar piece to share with our members. If you have something you feel is appropriate to share, please email it to: [Steve@SteveKlein.com](mailto:Steve@SteveKlein.com) and I will file it for future use!



Can you name who this is?

*"It is 1980 and I am 20 years old and just married. I am riding my husband's 1972 Yamaha 650 twin w/ Sportster tank & rear fender & Z-Bars" My husband said that if I started it, I had to ride it. So I did! I forgot to ask how to stop it though!"*

### HELP ME PLEASE...

To keep this newsletter relevant, current, and interesting, I ask all members to take time to submit information on:

- **Meets / Shows** – Information on dates, campgrounds, hotels, restaurants etc...
- **Photos** from your recent motorcycle rides, travels, shows or local / national meets you have attended etc...
- **Articles / Old Advertisements** worth reading, whether you write them or you cut them out.
- **Photo of "Your Motorcycle"** ... so I may select a **Members Ride** for each newsletter.

*Send to Steve Klein, 201 Whitney Woods Circle, Georgetown TX 78633 or [Steve@SteveKlein.com](mailto:Steve@SteveKlein.com) via email.*



*See y'all soon in our next edition **Steve Klein***